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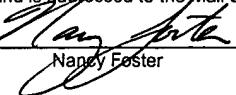
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masahiro IWAKURA

Application No.: 10/019,409

I.A. Filing Date: March 31, 2000

§ 371 Filing Date: December 28, 2001

For: SULFUR ATOM-FREE ENZYME
PROTEINS

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Group Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Rebecca E. Prouty

Confirmation No.: 3873

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR THIRD MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a third month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 4, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time (two months) and the requisite fee were filed on October 4, 2004. A fee of \$550.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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